

8. Other Infections

Residents may present with other common infections that are spread from person to person.

If suspected, call your Public Health Contact for guidance on:

- Group A Streptococcus
- Measles

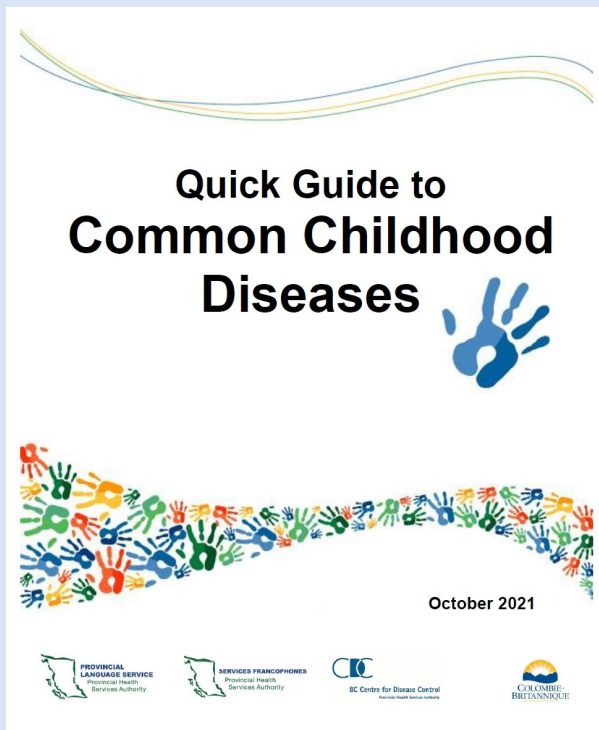
Other concerns for your site may be:

- Chicken pox (Varicella) or shingles
- Scabies
- Lice
- Whooping Cough
- Pink eye

For more information, “A Quick Guide to Common Childhood Diseases” by the BCCDC and the BC Ministry of Health is a good resource which can also be used for adults.

Go to the online copy: [Quick Guide to Common Childhood Diseases](#) (updated in 2021)

For illnesses related to pests (e.g. lice, scabies, bed bugs), also refer to [BC Housing Pest Control Policies and Procedures](#) (Page 44)



Quick Guide to Common Childhood Diseases includes

- Basic facts about the infectious disease or infestation
- A list of some of the signs and symptoms
- How the illness or infestation spreads
- The length of time from when a person is first exposed to the illness or infestation to when the first symptoms appear
- The time period during which an infected person is able to spread the illness or infestation to others
- Information on whether or not the person needs to be excluded from the school or child care centre
- Strategies to decrease the spread of the illness or infestation within a group setting.

Animal contact or exposure:

Public health follows up on certain types of animal contact that can cause disease in people, such as contact with a bat.

If someone may have had contact with a bat, help them get medical care (e.g. physician connected to shelter, walk-in clinic, emergency room) or call your Public Health Contact for guidance.

For more information on illness related to animals, refer to [Staying Healthy Around Animals | HealthLinkBC](#) and [Rabies | BCCDC](#)